



— State of —  
**North Dakota**  
*Office of the Governor*  
John Hoeven  
*Governor*

PROCLAMATION  
**SEVERE SUMMER WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK**  
APRIL 25-29, 2005

**WHEREAS**, emergency preparedness is a function of government, the private sector and individuals; and

**WHEREAS**, severe summer storms can cause damaging winds, hail, rural fires, flash flooding, hazardous materials releases and power outages, and have the potential of being deadly and causing serious damage to property; and

**WHEREAS**, experience has demonstrated that a well-informed and prepared public can better cope with and survive life threatening severe summer storms, so North Dakota individuals, families, schools, and businesses are encouraged to develop a disaster plan with protective actions to follow when severe weather strikes; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Weather Service and the North Dakota Division of Emergency Management will be working with local emergency managers, state and local officials, volunteer agencies and businesses to inform and educate the public on steps that should be taken to prepare for and survive severe weather hazards and the potential disasters that this summer may bring; and

**WHEREAS**, government agencies, as well as employers, strongly recommend that citizens become informed of available community warning systems, including outdoor warnings, all-hazards radio, the emergency alert system, and other radio and television broadcasts; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim April 25-29, 2005, **SEVERE SUMMER WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/  
John Hoeven  
Governor

Attest:

/s/  
Alvin A. Jaeger  
Secretary of State